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5 month's record unapproached by any other newspaper.

Milwaukee is allowing her firebug too much license.

It is good fortune to escape an invitation to a dynamite blow-out.

The Tammany wigwam is getting to be more than ever a popular place of political resort.

Let the Government swear off for the new year from further toleration of the Reading coal monopoly.

It is much wiser for a woman to marry from her personal acquaintance rather than from a personal "ad."

Oklahoma wants to come into the Union of States. Will she promise to leave her famous "booms" outside?

Those missing Treasury drafts have turned up all right. Nobody got a chance to raise the wind on them.

They are to stop flogging female convicts in Siberia. Who would ever have expected that part of the world to move?

No news is not good news when a great ocean steamer, with hundreds of precious lives on board, is the subject of anxiety.

Major Grant did not delay his approval of the trolley franchise for the Union Railway Company, in Harlem. He should have glanced backward at his previous record on the matter of overland wires.

Beyond a doubt transverse railways are needed in Central Park. The shortest way around, eastward or westward, is altogether too long under present conditions, and the walk across, bad weather or on dark nights, is pleasant in no respect.

A fellow has been caught wrongfully filling in pension checks in Kansas. But there has been so persistent a misuse of everything connected with the Pension Bureau that this new form of abuse of a National beneficence will excite only passing interest.

Now it is Gov. Flower who has been slighted. The Mill Club, at Albany, gave a dinner to the famous Texas Senator, for whom it is named, and New York's Executive was not invited. Cold shoulder, if not on the regular menu, seems to become cumulatively prominent in connection with these latter-day banquets.

Mr. POTTER PALMER's picture adorns an art calendar, just issued by a Chicago brewery firm. The publishers do not see why the lady should object as long as the beverages they make is good. Nevertheless,

less, it is easy to see, even from the long-distance reports, that trouble, as well as beer, is brewing. Mrs. Palmer refuses to bottle her wrath.

RIBOT IS RIGHT.

Political Paris continues in a condition of extraordinary excitement. The latest session is the quasi-trial of M. ANDRIEU, who endeavored to fasten upon Premier Bismarck and the *réseau* of the Premier to be called to account for words spoken in debate or to fight a duel with the angry Deputy.

The cable accounts of the affair represent that M. ANDRIEU has won admiration for his boldness. It would be more reasonable to suppose that he had *surprised* surprise by his impudence. If a Minister is to be challenged by every person he may offend in the discharge of his official duties it would be difficult to run on a government.

Premier Bismarck rebuked M. ANDRIEU and others for their attempts to excite disorder, which he regarded as incentives to insurrection. Certainly there was nothing in this to entitle M. ANDRIEU to appeal to the code, although a French duelist is by no means a dangerous affair and would not be at all likely to create a vacancy in the Ministry. Indeed, it is said that his bluster was a ruse to prevent his arrest, while he believed he was in contemplation.

If anybody is entitled to credit it is Premier Bismarck. He replied to M. ANDRIEU's challenge through his secretary, "quietly and decisively" that he had not gone beyond legitimate public criticism in his utterances and he declined to discuss the matter any further. If he had consented to meet his challenger he might not have been in any danger, but he would have established a precedent that would have made it necessary for a Cabinet Minister to be a duellist as well as a diplomat and to make himself an expert at the *passado* as well as in politics.

REMEMBER CRUELTY.

The cruelty and baseness of the coal conspiracy were never so strikingly exposed as in the alarm sounded yesterday from the Department of Charities and Correction of a threatened coal famine in the trade delivery to the poor of the city.

The unholy combination has advanced the price of the coal bought by the city for distribution among the outside ports 75 cents a ton. This extra cost has correspondingly diminished the amount to be distributed, and Superintendent Blake says it is impossible for the Department to satisfy the demands of the suffering applicants. Twenty-five hundred tickets are now out, and at least the same number have been refused to deserving families despite the most heartrending appeals.

The Department expects to have three thousand more tons of coal to distribute this winter, and thus, Mr. BLAKE says, will not nearly go round, so that the suffering and misery of the deserving poor will be extreme.

Let the greedy millionaires who are gambling on this necessary of life reflect on this. How long do they think the people will patiently submit to being wronged and robbed by this lawless and cruel coal conspiracy?

CROWDING IN.

Now that the Republicans are defeated, and the County Demonic is defunct, Tammany Hall is crowded with recruits. All the hungry politicians, "Tray, Blanche, and Sweetheart," are pointing for the only crib at which there seems at present any prospect of fodder. Some are anxious to get offices, and others are seeking to keep what they have got. So they are putting on the paint of real warhorses of the Wigwam and striving to sound the warwhoop louder than the old, scalped-braves of the council.

As Tammany is very generous to newcomers the recruits will doubtless soon find themselves in the front ranks. But there is some danger that the increase in the rank and file may imperil the existence of the old rulers? The Tammany organization appears very powerful now, with all the offices, all the patronage and all the money of the city in its hands. Yet there are rumors of dissatisfaction inside the Wigwam, and as the number of followers increases may not the danger of a domestic insurrection be augmented? Are even the leaders entirely harmonious, and are the current whispers of heartburnings, jealousies and rivalries all founded?

Perhaps the curious may have to wait for an answer to this conundrum until the municipal election of 1894, when there will be no Presidential election to distract the attention of voters.

THE UNDERGROUND FRANCHISE.

There was a rumor yesterday that the Underground Rapid Transit franchise is to be held in to-day by the Manhattan Elevated Railroad Company, with the design on the part of the latter corporation to hold the charter and not to build the road.

It would be unfortunate if Mr. GEORGE GOULD, who now holds the controlling power in the Manhattan Company, should so soon show a disposition to adopt the methods of his father. The people want rapid transit, and they are not likely to submit patiently to what would be practically a fraudulent device to cheat them out of it.

Besides, it would be a very shortsighted policy on the part of the Elevated railroad corporation to prevent the construction of the proposed underground road, provided capital was ready to risk the investment. Such a road would rapidly build up the upper part of the city and largely increase traffic. The Elevated roads would receive their share of the roads, and their profits would not diminish, just as the horse-car lines found that they were not injured by the construction of the Elevated roads.

Baltimore is to have a new tin plate plant. From a Republican high protection point of view, its projectors will be tempting fat. But singularly enough those individuals seem rather sanguine than otherwise over their enterprise.

Wanted to Die.

From a Texas Senator.
Inheritor Misery—Young man, are you prepared to die?
Telegraph Editor—Indeed I am. Congress meets soon, and I don't care how soon I go.

NO WAR, SAYS MR. HAMILTON. SPORTING NEWS AND NOTES.

Satisfied with His Version of Meeting To-Night to Discuss Manhattan Club's Affairs.

Della Fox Receives Material for a Diamond Robbery "Ad."

Columbia Is Ahead So Far in the College Chess Tournay.

Members of the Manhattan Athletic club with unbridged interest the outcome of this evening's meeting, which is the special committee on financial matters makes a report and submits a statement of the result of discussions with the trustees of the organization, and a representation of the Club's strong, bold and the election of an entirely new board of officers.

The story is heard in advance that a well-matured and carefully arranged plan has been outlined which will be a measure to execute the Club from its deplorable monetary difficulties. Economy has been studied, and the committee will offer suggestions that are bound to clip down the expenses by several thousand dollars a year. And again, it is proposed to close off the lavish outlay in the promotion of athletic sports in the Club.

That however been an expensive luxury for the Manhattan, the support of a veterans army, or scribblers, players, walkers, swimmers, chess players and the like. But there are other matters in the Manhattan athletic interest besides the well-wishers of the organization, for more than the money about on athletes.

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